REMARKS

Claims 32-36, and 48-57 are presented and subject to a restriction requirement. Specifically, the Office action dated August 23, 2004, requires restriction between claims 32-36 and 55-57 of Group I and claims 48-54 of Group II. In response, Applicants hereby elect Group I, without traverse, for prosecution on the merits.

In addition, the Office action identifies several species, listed as Species A-I, and requests election of a single species for prosecution on the merits. In response, Applicants hereby elect Species H, corresponding to FIG. 8. Claims 32-36 are readable on this species.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is submitted that all pending claims as now appearing in the application are in good and proper form for allowance. A favorable action on the part of the Examiner is respectfully solicited.

If, in the opinion of the examiner, a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of the subject application, the examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

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